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BEAUMONT MAN SENTENCED FOR FEDERAL DRUG VIOLATIONS

(Beaumont, TX) United States Attorney Matthew D. Orwig announced today that a 28-year-old Beaumont man has been sentenced to 108 months in federal prison for drug violations in the Eastern District of Texas. **JULIUS LEQUINTE HOUSTON** was sentenced today by United States District Judge Marcia Crone for possession with intent to distribute crack cocaine.

U.S. Attorney Orwig was pleased with the sentence, "The defendant was responsible for distributing a significant amount of cocaine in Beaumont. His conviction and incarceration will make Jefferson County a safer, cleaner place to live."

According to information presented in court, Houston was indicted for possessing approximately 40 grams of crack cocaine and 295 grams of powder cocaine in November 2004.

This case was investigated by the Beaumont Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Joe Batte.

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